

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

It is asserted that these amendments do not add new matter and are supported by the specification and claims as originally filed. Entry of these claims is respectfully requested.

Claims 14-26 have been rejected.

Claims 14 and 26 have been amended.

Claims 15-25 are kept unchanged.

Claims 14-26 are pending in the application.

The word “cyclanic” has been replaced with: - -cyclic- - on page 4, line 9 of the specification and the phrase “[lacuna]” on page 15, line 3 of the specification has been deleted.

Objected claim 14 has been amended to correct the spelling of “functionalization”.

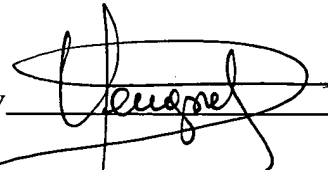
Rejected claim under 35 U.S.C. 112, has been amended by deleting the phrase “in particular”.

Applicant believes that the above amendments have addressed the objections/rejections to the specification and claims.

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**Amendment**

In view of the preceding remarks, it is asserted that the patent application is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have any question concerning these remarks that would further advance prosecution of the claims to allowance, the examiner is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned attorney at (609) 860-4180. A notice of allowance is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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